

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the following Specification as indicated below:

**Please Add the following section heading, between paragraphs 2 and 3 on page 1 of Spec.**

**SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

**Please Amend paragraph 2, on page 3, beginning on line 4:**

Specific portions of the transverse leaf spring, in particular regions subjected to torsional stress, may advantageously be reinforced by fibers wound at an angle around a core. As is well known in the art, the core may be constructed of, for example, epoxy resin with embedded glass fibers oriented substantially unidirectionally along the longitudinal axis of the specific portion of the spring. The core may also be composed of unreinforced plastic or metal.

**Please Amend paragraph 3, on page 6, beginning on line 17:**

To integrate the stabilizer function into the transverse leaf spring, it is necessary, in this respect, for the middle portion 1a of the transverse leaf spring to have considerably lower bending rigidity in the z direction than the ends. For this reason, the middle region 1a ~~is~~ may be designed with a relatively small vertical height (measured in the z direction perpendicularly to the road) and with a relatively large horizontal width (measured in the x direction) to produce a generally flat cross-section, while the torsional portions 1b and the end portions 1c have a non-flat or compact cross-sectional area (cf. figure 4), such as a square or circle. The torsional portions 1b may in this case be reinforced by fibers which are wound at a defined angle around the unidirectional core.